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Applicant : Y. KIYOTOKI et al
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Title : CORROSION-RESISTING AND WEAR-RESISTING
ALLOY AND DEVICE USING THE SAME
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Examiner : J. Sheehan
Docket No. : NIP-239
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 25, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and appropriate fee also accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

RCE

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CORROSION-RESISTING AND WEAR-RESISTING ALLOY
AND DEVICE USING THE SAMEAssistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.

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SMALL ENTITY

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x 9	\$
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SMALL ENTITY

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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.
- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☒ Any Extension of Time fees that are necessary, which are hereby requested if necessary.

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